

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Child and Family Services Agency



CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATION

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
for
SINGLE AVAILABLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Agency: Child and Family Services Agency
Caption: Apprenticeship Program
Contractor: Public Allies Washington DC
Contract No.: DCRL-2013-C-0017

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04 and 27 DCMR §§ 1304 and 1702

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Government of the District of Columbia, Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA), has the following minimum need:

- (a) A contractor to provide an apprentice to assist CFSA in creating, improving and expanding services that benefit children and youth, promote economic development, improve education and address other local needs.
- (b) Aid CFSA in maintaining compliance with the LaShawn A. v. Gray Implementation and Exit Plan court order of meeting established target dates and timelines of permanency for those youth who have aged out of foster care system.

3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE COST:

The estimated reasonable cost for providing apprenticeship training not to exceed \$21,600.00

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY A SINGLE AVAILABLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

The proposed contractor is the only entity capable of meeting the District's minimum need during the proposed period of performance with little or no mobilization time. Public Allies is a national movement grounded in the conviction that everyone leads. The Public Allies

signature AmeriCorps Ally Program identifies diverse young adults and prepares them for leadership roles through full-time paid apprenticeships at nonprofit organizations. Secondly, the proposed contractor has provided apprentice services to residents of the District as required through the court system. Public Allies was recognized by the Bush and Clinton administration as a model for national service.

The District is mandated by the LaShawn A. v. Gray Implementation and Exit Plan of ensuring that youth who age out of the foster care system are capable of sustaining themselves as they transition to permanency. Failure to achieve these goals would find the District in contempt of the exit order and could result in fines and prolonging the court monitoring of CFSA foster care system.

Finally, the proposed contractor has demonstrated sufficient staffing and the financial soundness over the last few years which are necessary to provide said services.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Date

Brenda Donald
Director
Child and Family Services Agency

6. CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority.

Date

Tara Sigamoni
Agency Chief Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive bidding process under Section 402 of the Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02). I further find that the contractor listed above is the only available sources that can meet the District's minimum needs. Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

Tara Sigamoni
Agency Chief Contracting Officer